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Control No. 151/55

MEMORANDUM FOR: Department of Commerce DCP Representative
FROM : CIA DCP Representative
SUBJECT : Exports of U.S. Oscilloscope to Electronic
Industries Imports Pty. Ltd., Melbourne

CLEARANCES

25X1A2g 1. The following [redacted] information has been cleared for transmittal to the Department of Commerce and to Foreign Service posts in Australia and West Germany for ACTION classified SECRET and to Paris USR0 for BACKGROUND USE ONLY classified SECRET/NOFORN.

25X1A2g 2. It is requested that where CIA source descriptions or numbers are known, no mention of these be made in any further dissemination of this material. Please advise this Agency of the use made of the information contained in this report.

3. An unevaluated [redacted] report dated December 1958 indicated that Electronics Industries Imports Pty. Ltd. had purchased eight Tektronix oscilloscopes and parts between July and November 1958 from Tektronix's Australian agent. Three of these oscilloscopes have been identified as Positive List items at the time of their sale (types 515A, 535 and 533). Descriptive information concerning the eight oscilloscopes and parts sold to the Melbourne firm follows:

(1) Type 536 oscilloscope with types 53/54C and 53/54T preamplifiers for testing communications systems and instruments used in aviation. Total cost \$1500.00.

(2) Type 515A oscilloscope for use in manufacturing electronic equipment. Total cost \$750.00.

(3-4) Two type 310S1 oscilloscopes plus miscellaneous parts for use in the production of calculating and business machines. Total cost \$2250.00.

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(5) Type 5244D oscilloscope with 130LC meters plus miscellaneous parts to be used in the manufacture of capacitors and TV and radio receivers. Total cost \$1815.00.

(6) Type 533 oscilloscope with 53/54A preamplifier to be used in manufacturing TV components. Total cost \$1135.00.

(7-8) Type 535 oscilloscope with preamplifiers and a 31051 oscilloscope for use in servicing computers. Total cost \$3,340.00.

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4. A [redacted] report of September 1953, evaluated as possibly true, reported that Electronic Industries Imports Ltd. was a foreign representative and sales outlet of DIA, the East German export-import agency. Although the firm is large and apparently reputable, the evidenced desire of Bloc purchasers to acquire Tektronix oscilloscopes, the large number of instruments purchased, and the Australian firm's reported connection with DIA indicate a possible area for investigation.

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